

"SPORTS OF THE TIMES"-DISPATCH

MRS. TOM PIERCE SEEKS A DIVORCE

Wore Hunting Breeches and
Shocked the Good People
of Virginia.

IS GREAT ACROSS COUNTRY

No Fence Is Too High Nor
Country Too Stiff for
Her.

WASHINGTON, January 11.—It is now a year since Mrs. Pierce gave it out that she was going to visit her brother on Long Island, and left Topfields and the beautiful home of her husband.

Their five-year-old daughter soon after was sent to a relative of Mr. Pierce, and since then he has lived alone in a home that is surpassed in its beauty by few.

In the hunting set about the Meadowbrook Club, Mrs. Pierce has enjoyed herself. Here she has been one round of excitement of the chase.

NO FENCE TOO HIGH FOR HER.
No fence has been too high, and the stubble on no field too coarse for her to take. Recently she went to the hunt astride her timber-topper wearing hunting breeches, boots, a hunting coat, and sombrero.

Her costume was described as one that made of her a picture. To cap the climax, in one of the hardest runs of the season she rode far to the front, and finished twenty lengths in advance of any that rode—man or woman.

Mrs. Pierce was Miss Alice Rogers, and as a girl in Salem was noted for her riding and for her golf. Pretty as a girl, she lost none of her charms after her marriage, when unlimited money was hers to indulge her taste for the horses she coveted.

Soon after she married she took first rank with the exhibitors at Newport, where she rode Skibbereen, Harkaway, Gallops and the unmanageable Tornado.

LEG BROKEN BY ERRATIC HORSE.
It was while riding the latter horse in Newport in 1904 that she came to grief at the show. Her horse took the high jump and fell. She stuck to him like a veteran and he rolled upon her.

The slight made women in the boxes faint. The plucky woman retained consciousness, and although her leg was broken, rode home in a carriage. When it was well she was again in the saddle.

What caused the separation of the Pierces is a mystery. They were a loving couple, and not until the wife had left the home, a year ago, was there talk of disagreement.

Mrs. Tommy Pierce is well known in Virginia, where she hunted with Middleburg hounds at Upperville and at Leesburg. She has often ridden with the Loudoun and the Grafton hounds and made a brilliant reputation as a fearless cross-country rider.

Her husband, Mr. Pierce, is a very picturesque man, and there is nothing out about it.

First race—five furlongs—Prince Al Med (13 to 5) first, Colts (11 to 1) second, Kaiserhof (8 to 1) third. Time, 1:00 1-5.

Second race—seven furlongs—Resale (20 to 1) first, Sir Vagrant (25 to 1) second, Refined (11 to 5) third. Time, 1:28.

Third race—six furlongs—Penryn (12 to 1) first, Alston (7 to 2) second, Alrith (7 to 1) third. Time, 1:23 2-5.

Fourth race—one mile—Juggler (5 to 1) first, Petersterning (1 to 2) second, Zenop (6 to 1) third. Time, 1:50 1-5.

Fifth race—five furlongs—Colloquy (3 to 1) first, Glamour (8 to 2) second, Charlie Eastman (8 to 5) third. Time, 1:05 1-5.

Sixth race—six furlongs—Penryn (12 to 1) first, Alston (7 to 2) second, Alrith (7 to 1) third. Time, 1:23 2-5.

Seventh race—one mile—Goldmoat (5 to 2) first, Royal Breeze (4 to 1) second, Florize (3 to 5) third. Time, 1:40 2-5.

MURPHY NOW AFTER THE CHAMPIONSHIP
NEW YORK, January 11.—Tommy Murphy, conqueror of "Young Corbett" in Philadelphia last night, today came out in the open as a hot seeker for light-weight championship honors. He did this through his manager, Johnny Oliver.

The Harlem pride is out for the championship first, last and all the time, win or lose, come one, come all, excepting Gans. He admits with a frankness that does him no discredit that Gans is his superior.

"I'll fight up to Gans, and then I'll see," is the way Murphy puts his case. Aurelio Herrera, Jimmy Britt, Kid Herman, Fighting Dick Hyland and Battling Nelson are the men Murphy wants to meet, in the order named. Young Corbett, too, has another bout coming. Murphy thinks Corbett can have this fight any time he asks for it, but the youngster who made Harlem famous insists that it must go more than six rounds. Given a longer distance, he is supreme in his confidence that he can shut Corbett out.

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DASHING CROSS COUNTRY RIDER SEEKS DIVORCE



MRS. TOMMY PIERCE,
of Boston, who rides astride, and is one of the best.

SOME HARSH WORDS FOR JACK O'BRIEN

Tommy Burns "Takes Pen in Hand" and Writes 'Em to Tad.

QUAKER A GOOD FOOT RACER

Canadian Says He May Be Crazy, But He's No Fool.

NEW YORK, January 11.—Tommy Burns has "taken his pen in hand" and written the following interesting letter to Tad:

Philadelphia, Pa., January 7, 1907.
Dear Tad—A few lines in regard to the mitt game. I am in Philadelphia, and showing here for a week; will make New York on my tour some time. I am on the road for ten weeks, twenty if I would be able to take it before I meet the Grand Pakir O'Brien. I guess he is trying to frame something with Gans. It looks like a joke to me. I would not be surprised if O'Brien framed up something so he can get out of fighting me next May. Of course, he would lose his forfeit of \$2,000, but I guess he would give that amount to get away from a beating. I guess you saw the pictures.

I guess you did not know O'Brien was a foot racer, ha, ha. He sure showed the yellow that night. I am glad I did not knock him out now, as that \$30,000 purse looks easy for a man like O'Brien. I should have had a change in the articles calling for a small ring, so he could not run away, but I guess he won't be hard to trim in any kind of a ring. As a fighter he is a joke; as a foot racer he is O. K.

SOME BOUQUETS FOR HIMSELF.
In regard to my fighting Jeffries, a lot of people think I am crazy, but I do not think so. We are all human, and I have been a few years ago. I live in Los Angeles and am in a position to know. Sharkey was no heavier than myself and gave Jeff the greatest fight of his life. I am faster on my feet than any heavyweight in the world, and think I could turn the trick as Corbett did to Sullivan if given the chance.

Of course people will tell me I am crazy, but they told me the same thing when I fought Hart and O'Brien and I beat them so they could not get out of bed for several days. Well, Tad, I am willing to go crazy again to get a crack at Jeff. I believe I can fool the sporting world the third time. I don't know my route just yet. I open here to-morrow. I hope I make your city soon, as I have never been there. I just got here last night. I am yours sincerely,
TOMMY BURNS.

BILL SQUIRES SIZED UP
Australian Writer Says He Is No Match for Jeffries or O'Brien.

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SPILLING WINS BOWLING TROPHY

Heads List With 207 Majority of Pins, a Handsome Margin.

FORM NEWSPAPER LEAGUE

Ladies at Lake Alley To-Day.
Organize New Association at Williams's Alley.

The Richmond City Bowling League finished its series of bowling games at the Williams Allevs last night, and the honors for the high average went to Captain Spilling, of the News Leader team, who will be presented with the trophy offered by the News Leader at a banquet to be held in his honor on Monday night, January 14.

Spilling won by a majority of 37 pins, which is considered by experts to be a handsome margin.

Rowsey, of the Journal team, rolled high average last night, and Myers, of the News Leader team, rolled high score with a total of 212.

After the games of the Richmond City Bowling League, the members set about to organize four more teams from the Williams Bowling Allevs and two from the Cooke Bowling Allevs—the teams to consist of five men each.

The first of the new teams will be organized on Monday night, the first of the series to be rolled on next Monday night. The captains of the teams will be Spilling, Cooke, Williams and Rowsey.

The scores and players of last night are as follows:

NEWS LEADER.	1st	2nd	3rd
Spilling	174	185	159
Fisher	132	159	192
Myers	137	172	146
Spilling	182	146	161
Wills	182	212	192
Total	797	905	859

JOURNAL.	1st	2nd	3rd
Rowsey	179	181	190
Knef	147	129	172
Graves	155	155	118
Sutherland	116	144	101
Ferrari	179	181	190
Total	756	791	771

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Cobean	176	182	180
Williams	145	157	166
Bell, E. W.	142	134	182
Hubert	145	147	170
Hicks	145	157	182
Total	717	674	770

A new bowling league, to be composed exclusively of newspaper men, to be known as the Newspaper Bowling League, was organized last night at the Lake Bowling Allevs. The new league will consist of three teams: The Times-Dispatch, the News Leader and the Evening Journal. Mr. Harry Tucker was elected captain of the Journal team; Mr. Tommie Atkins, of the News Leader team, and Mr. B. C. Clarke, of the Times-Dispatch team.

The games will be played twice a week at the Lake Allevs. This is the third league which has been organized last week at the Lake Allevs and from now on the public will be afforded the opportunity to witness some of the exhibitions of the popular game.

The following leagues are now playing at the Lake Allevs: The Greater Richmond Bowling League, of four teams; the Newspaper League, of three teams.

Manager Whitman intends to organize two teams in the next few days. The next game of the Greater Richmond Bowling League will be played next Monday between the North Side and the South Side. The ladies will meet for the organization of their team this morning at 11 o'clock.

KILLED IN THE OPEN.
Loudoun Hounds Pull Down Red Fox After a Long Chase.

LEESBURG, VA., January 11.—The Loudoun Hounds met to-day at Catton on the Yeoman's estate, five miles east of Leesburg. The weather was fine for the occasion, and the hunt was a successful one. The pack contained twenty couples. Mr. Westmoreland Davis, M. F. H., and Robert Dodd, Esq., were in the field. The hounds struck an old trail, which they soon abandoned.

A game cast further up the pack headed toward the river, and uncovered two foxes, which were dened. A third start gave the riders to hounds the most exciting chase of the season.

The leaders headed north along the Potomac River bottom-lands for several miles, and then turned south toward the starting point. Three times this course was followed, when, the fox weakening, was overtaken and killed in the open, in full view of the field. Miss Stuart, of Leesburg, who was riding a green three-year-old, was given the brush.

Riders to hounds were: Messrs. Chamberlain, of Leesburg; Bell, of New York; Cluester, White, Hollin, Fendle, Laycock, Castleman and others.

GUN CLUB SHOOT.
Well-Known Visitors to City Will Take Part.

The Richmond Gun Club will have two very distinguished visitors at their postponed shoot for the Hunter Arms Company medal this afternoon. Captain A. W. DuBray, of the Parker Gun Company, and Mr. T. H. Collier, of the Peters Cartridge Company, are in the city, and will take part in the program.

Both are excellent shots, and a good crowd is expected to see them demonstrated to the Richmond amateurs.

Messrs. W. S. MacLellan and Anderson have two sons in the much coveted medal, and this evening's score will possibly decide who is to be the permanent owner.

Shooting commences promptly at 3 o'clock. Shells for sale on the grounds.

LEWECK, SKATING BACKWARD, WAS DEFEATED BY BRENT
Exhibition on Idlewood Rink Last Night One of Most Novel Ever Seen Here—Large Crowd Out.

The largest crowd ever assembled in the Skating Rink at Idlewood saw the big triple rink last night, and every one left saying the attractions were the event of the season.

The first event was the race between Ford, Taylor and Hughes, of Petersburg. Hughes won handily in 3:20.

In the most novel event ever seen here Brent defeated the Great Leweck in a one-mile contest. Leweck skating backward.

Leweck kept the big crowd in high gear with his feats on rollers, hurdling six chairs and going over a table while flying backwards. The race backwards was one of the most novel exhibitions ever seen here on rollers, and aroused tu-

WILL COME UP THIS MORNING

Texans Legislature Demands an Investigation of the Trust Charges.

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Bailey's Friends Will Endeavor to Have Matter Referred to a Committee of Seven.

FORM NEWSPAPER LEAGUE

Ladies at Lake Alley To-Day.
Organize New Association at Williams's Alley.

AUSTIN, TEX., January 11.—The introduction of a resolution in the Senate of the Texas Legislature signed by fourteen members out of the thirty composing the body, demanding an investigation of Senator Bailey and Attorney-General Davidson and their connection with the re-admission of the Waters-Pierce Oil Company into Texas after its election under the anti-trust laws, and the fixing of a hearing of the same for Monday next, upon which occasion both Senator Bailey and Attorney-General Davidson are invited to be present, and the settling of a special order for to-morrow morning without displacement of the House resolution demanding a Bailey investigation, were the special features of the day in the matter of the investigation of Senator Bailey by the Texas Legislature pending his election on January 23d.

Every effort was made to get the Bailey investigation matter considered by the House this morning, but failed. The opposition to Senator Bailey, however, late this evening, forced the House to consider a special order without displacement of the Bailey investigation resolution for to-morrow morning.

Offset Attack.
Friends of Senator Bailey, in anticipation of to-morrow's contest to-night, prepared a substitute resolution which will be offered to-morrow morning. The fight will then be made upon the substitution of this resolution for the one now before the House.

The substitute resolution, as agreed upon, seeks to offset the charges made against Senator Bailey in the first resolution by outlining that he has admitted all his connections with Pierce, Kirby and the Tennessee Coal Company, and successfully combated the same charges as now exist before the Legislature.

It is wholly unnecessary, that the appropriation would be a useless expenditure of the funds of the State, and in consideration of that fact said resolution outlines that the Speaker shall appoint a committee of seven House members, who shall, whenever they see fit, meet and pass upon this matter of the Bailey-Waters-Pierce oil case; that if, in the judgment of this committee, after due consideration, there is foundation to the charges, they shall so state to the Legislature, and then said body shall decide as to the charges to be preferred and the general trend of the proposed investigation.

The original resolution demands a sweeping and instant legislative investigation, and the senatorial election may be postponed.

DEMETRAL WINS FROM CARL PONS
Chicago Man Threw the French Champion Twice.

CHICAGO, January 11.—The catch-as-catch-can wrestling match to-night between William Demetral, of Chicago, and Carl Pons, the French champion of Montreal, was won by Demetral. The men became so boisterous during the first period, and the crowd grew so boisterous, that the management sent for a score of police to preserve order. Both wrestlers used fists at every opportunity, and the Frenchman left the ring with a deep laceration on his right eye, the result of a blow of the Greek.

QUESTION OF LICENSE BEFORE GRAND JURY
Consideration of the Rudd and Buchanan Case May Proceed To-Day or Monday.

The consideration of the grand jury of information lodged with the Commonwealth's Attorney, alleging that Drs. Rudd and Buchanan, neurologists, were violating the statute in practicing medicine without having passed the required examination, was postponed Friday.

Dr. H. U. Stephenson, of Toano, member of the Board of Medical Examiners, who was here yesterday to appear as a witness, said the impression of the board was that the case was a case of medical fraud, and that the case was a case of medical fraud, and that the case was a case of medical fraud.

WORTHLESS CHECKS.
Luray Man Charged With Passing Three.

BALTIMORE, MD., January 11.—Charles M. Stump, twenty-nine years old, son of Rev. J. Polk Stump, of Luray, Va., is under arrest here on the charge of passing three worthless checks. The complaint was made by Thomas M. Miller, Charles Bradley, of Daniel, Miller & Company, and James E. Carter.

Stump was arrested in Martinsburg and brought here to-night.

HENDERSON'S DEFENSE.
Assistant Physician at Asylum Sends Able Communication.

WILLIAMSBURG, VA., January 11.—Dr. J. M. Henderson, first assistant physician at the Eastern State Hospital, has addressed a communication to Colonel L. W. Lane, Jr., Commissioner of State Hospitals, clearly and forcibly setting forth his position, and by the committee's reports fully justifying the administration of that portion of the hospital entrusted to him.

Dr. Henderson's paper sets forth that he intended and hoped to leave the hospital January 1st, but that now he is serving there because there is no one to take his place, and that he will not accept pay. He refutes every charge, directly or indirectly, brought against him.

Claude Hooker Locates.
Claude M. Hooker, a Richmond player who rose from backyard baseball to higher circles, has signed with the Greensboro team, in the Western Pennsylvania League. He will report there on April 1st.

Claude Hooker is a brother to "Buck" Hooker, who has achieved fame in baseball circles, and who has played professional ball for the past two seasons. In 1904 he was with the Greensboro, Md. team, and played the 1905 season with Greensboro, N. C.

Richmonders in New York.
The following Richmond people were registered at New York hotels to-day: Waldorf, G. W. Stevens, Miss H. Stevens, Miss M. Moulton, Mrs. Morris; Manhattan, E. D. Yost, W. E. Dunham, Victoria, S. A. Leake; Wellington, H. Plegen Thelmer; Grand, J. W. Harris; Imperial, Miss Peabody; Peabody, J. Peabody; St. Charles, J. Peabody; St. Denis, S. C. Denahay; Raleigh, C. E. Anderson and wife; York, T. J. Leahy and wife, L. K. Shepherd; Grand Union, W. Rankin.

BASKETBALL.
Junior Second Team Wins in a Close Match.

The much heralded game of basketball between the Redskins of the boys' class and the second team of the Junior class took place in the Y. M. C. A. gymnasium last night. It was a fast game, and a close one, as the score indicated. The Juniors had a little the better of it in size and weight, and won out by a 16 to 9 score.

The line-up of the teams was as follows: Junior Second Team—D. Jones (captain), forward; Burr Lewis, forward; A. Steele, center; P. W. O'Hard, guard; W. Lefew, guard.

Second Team—C. Brauer, Jr., forward; L. Cosby, forward; P. Bruce, center; S. Padgett (captain), guard; B. D. Core, guard.

Field Goals—Jones, 2; Bruce, 2; Lewis, 2; Cosby, Lefew, Free throws—Cosby, 3. Referee—B. Morris. Umpire—Michaux Carleton.

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PARIS, January 11.—The eagerly awaited papal encyclical in which the Pope explains his reasons for forbidding the faithful to make declarations under the law of 1881, and defining his attitude towards the amended church and state separation law was published here this afternoon. This formally places the seal of official condemnation on the new law, and will constitute the bishops, at their meeting to be held here January 15th, to range themselves against the law on all points. The French bishops must follow the orders of Rome, no matter what individual ideas may be held.

The Temps considers the encyclical as proof that the Vatican is determined to continue the war. As an illustration of the attitude of the Pope towards the papal arguments, the Temps points out that the statement that a priest cannot be a juridical occupant of a church is no longer true under the new law, and that the disaffection of churches, which the Pope says is never admitted, was a possibility even under the concordat.

United Church.
ROME, January 11.—The Osservatore Romano, official organ of the Vatican, to-day published the text of an encyclical addressed by the Pope to "our venerable brothers, the cardinals, bishops and clergy, and of the French people." In this document the Pontiff said his chief object in addressing the faithful in France was to comfort them in their sufferings, which he felt deeply.

There was, however, great consolation in the fact that the Catholics of France were united. The French government's declaration of war was not only against Christian faith, but against all spiritual ideas. The French Catholics must be prepared for all sorts of trials, but they were certain of final victory. They must maintain the maintenance of the union with the Holy See, which was of the greatest importance, as shown by the efforts of the enemies of the church to dissolve this union.

Does Not Desire War.
Contrary to the statements made on the subject, the church did not desire a religious war involving violent persecutions. Regarding the ecclesiastical propositions, the Pope said that he had not abandoned them. The French government had imposed on the Catholics of France an organization which the church was absolutely unable to accept without imperilling her existence as a divine institution. The church could not prevent the unjust spoliation in progress.

In conclusion the Pope appealed to the judgment of history, which, he said, will recognize that the papacy, in acting as it has, did so because it did not wish to humiliate any trivial officials or oppose any form of acrimony, but defended with all its strength the work of the divine founder of the church, demanding "respect for the hierarchy and the inviolability of its property and liberty."

The papacy wished to remind the world that "man must concern himself here below with higher ideals than the concerns of everyday life, and that the supreme, inviolable joy of the human soul on earth is to accomplish its spiritual duty at all costs, and thus, in spite of all, honor, serve and love God."

1,500,000 CATHOLICS ENDORSE THE POPE
NEW YORK, January 11.—Edward Feeney, of Brooklyn, national president of the American Federation of Catholic Societies, representing about 1,500,000 Catholics in the United States, has called the following to the Pope:

"The American Federation of Catholic Societies sympathizes with your Holiness in resisting the attempt to despoil and enslave the church in France by a government which does not represent the will of the people."

GOVERNOR CAMERON TO SPEAK ON LEE
Eloquent Editor and Former Virginia Executive Norfolk's Orator.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)
NORFOLK, VA., January 11.—The celebration of General Lee's birthday in Norfolk this year will be on a larger scale than usual, it being the one hundredth anniversary of that distinguished Virginian and great military hero. William E. Cameron, formerly Governor of Virginia, will deliver an oration at public exercises to be held in honor of the occasion at 11 A. M. that day, January 19th, at the Cumberland Street Methodist Church, under the auspices of Pickett-Buchanan Camp, Confederate Veterans, which exercises will be attended by an organization and by the local Sons of Confederate Veterans, as well as by the various local chapters of the Daughters of the Confederacy.

It is also very likely that in addition to the usual Lee anniversary exercises to be held in the public schools on the afternoon of Friday of next week, several public meetings of the children will be held at central points of the churches. A meeting of the principals of the schools will be held at the superintendent's office to-morrow afternoon.

Pickett-Buchanan Camp, Confederate Veterans, will hold its usual Lee banquet at one of the hotels in the city on the evening of the 19th.

HOUSE PASSED 628 PENSION BILLS
Broke Record, Making an Average of Seven Per Minute.

WASHINGTON, D. C., January 11.—The House to-day in an hour and thirty-five minutes passed 628 pension bills, making an average of seven bills per minute, exceeding the highest record ever made before.

The House also passed a bill to increase the limit of cost of five light-house tenders, making the total limit \$300,000 instead of \$250,000.

On account of the absence of a quorum the House adjourned at 1:45 P. M. until Monday.

Great Meeting for Men
ACADEMY OF MUSIC.
LYMAN BEECHER SPERRY, M. D. OF OBERLIN, OHIO.

Sunday, January 13th, 3:30 P. M., Doors Opening at 3.

"Seven Social Evils"
The DeKoven Male Quartet, of Chicago, will sing.

Men Free—Physician, Specialist, Author—Men Free.